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SUBJECT: ILLICIT SALE OF C-130 ENGINES AND REPLACEMENT
PARTS FOR L100 AIRCRAFT

REF: A) AMMAN 6517; B) STATE 174793; C) AMMAN 5930

1. RECENT ACTIVITIES OF UNITED TRADING COMPANY CONTINUE
TO RAISE QUESTIONS. USDOC NOW INFORMS US THAT UNITED
TRADING CO. HAS PLACED AN ORDER FOR ULTIMATE CONSIGNEE,
GOVERNMENT OF JORDAN, WITH INTERNATIONAL EXPORT CORPORATION,
ARLINGTON, VIRGINIA, FOR PURCHASE OF REPLACEMENT PARTS
FOR LOCKHEED L100 RPT L100 COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT TOTALING
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\$750,000. FYI: L100 IS COMMERCIAL VERSION OF C-130.
END FYI. EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURED BY U.S. FIRM BENDIX-
ALLISON (LEAR-SIEGLER DIVISION) WHICH IS SUPPOSEDLY FOR
AIRCRAFT OWNED BY GOJ, COMPRISES TWO LOTS: 1 - GYRO-SCOPES,
COMPASSES, AND INDICATORS TOTALING \$250,000; AND 2 -

FUEL CONTROLS, VALVES, FUEL PUMPS, AND ACTUATORS AT

\$500,000. USDOC LICENSING OFFICER HAS AGREED TO HOLD
LICENSE, WHICH HAD BEEN APPROVED, UNTIL ADVISED BY STATE.

2. LOCKHEED AIRCRAFT CO. REPLIED TO OUR QUERY REGARDING
USE OF L100 COMMERCIAL AIRCRAFT PARTS IN C-130B OR C-130H

AIRCRAFT THAT PARTS IN LOT I WOULD NOT PRESENT A PROBLEM,
BUT PARTS IN LOT II WOULD REQUIRE MODIFICATION, DEPENDING
ON SERIAL NUMBER THAT IS NOT AVAILABLE ON LICENSE
APPLICATION.

3. UK FIRM MURRAY-CLAYTON LTD. DOES NOT APPEAR ON THIS
LICENSE APPLICATION AS TRANSHIPPER.

4. WE ARE NOT AWARE OF ANY L100 AIRCRAFT OWNED BY GOJ
AND BELIEVE WE MUST QUESTION WHETHER THEY MIGHT BE
DESTINED FOR THIRD PARTY. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY LIGHT
EMBASSY COULD SHEDON FINAL DESTINATION OF THIS ORDER.

5. REGARDING EARLIER QUESTION OF C-130 ENGINES (REFTELS),
SITUATION REMAINS MURKEY (E.G. END USER CERTIFICATE
SHOWED ONLY UNITED TRADING COMPANY) AND INVESTIGATION IS
NOW IN HANDS OF U.S. CUSTOMS. UNTIL WE HAVE MORE
INFORMATION WE BELIEVE EMBASSY SHOULD NOT RPT NOT PURSUE
THIS QUESTION. VANCE

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